

1897-049 Chancery Causes: Rosa Pridemore to vs. A. L. Pridemore to
Lee Co.

CA-Estate Dispute
T-Property

-Deed

To the Hon. H. K. Morison Judge
of the Circuit Court of Scott
County:

The Bill of Complaint
of Rosa Pridemore, Adeline Pridemore
~~Mary~~ ^{Mary} A. Pridemore & Ella Pridemore
who humbly complaining, would
respectfully represent that they
are the children and part of the
heirs at law of the late Capt
H. D. Pridemore now deceased.

Their said father, at the time of
his ^{death} was the owner of a tract or
parcel of land consisting of
about 600 acres situated on the
waters of Little Stock Creek in
Scott County Virginia, and near
the town of Clinchport. He was
also the owner of one half the
farm known as the Purchase a
Tract of about 200 acres, their
uncle A. L. Pridemore being the
owner of the other moiety; and
their mother Susan Pridemore who
is still living is entitled to dower
in these lands; and they are sus-
ceptible of partition, and dower
can be assigned therein.

Their said father died intestate leaving a considerable personal estate, and had never made any advancements, the children all being single and still living at home. He left besides your complainants four other children, who are still infants to wit: Lenora H. Bridmore, Alice Bridmore, Nellie Bridmore and Hiram Carol Bridmore and these eight children should share alike the division of said lands subject to the right of dower.

Your complainants allege however that on the first named place there is a large and valuable body of poplar, lynn and ash timber trees which can be sold for a very good price and the proceeds be equally partitioned, but the shape of the land is such that it can not be conveniently partitioned and give each an equal quantity of said timber. They therefore alleges it would be to the interest of all concerned to sell the timber and divide the proceeds, and then partition

the lands, which can be done, and for agricultural purposes will be as valuable without the timber as with it. Their father died not ^{with} but a very few debts and they ~~were~~ small ones.

Their uncle the said A. L. Pridemore qualified as the administrator of the estate, and is still the personal representative.

The premises considered, the object of this bill is to -

- 1 Have done assigned the said Susan Pridemore -
- 2 To have said timber sold, and the proceeds equally divided among those entitled.
- 3 To have said real estate, partitioned the Purchase equally between them their Co-heirs and the said A. L. Pridemore and then said half of the 600 acre tract divided equally between all. But they pray that this partition be postponed until the sale of said timber -

They desire if it can be done that their said uncle the said A. L. Pridemore be permitted to sell said timber at public or private sale, as he may deemed best - as in this way he can

procure the best price - And your
Complainants give their Consent to this
arrangement -

To this end they pray that A. L.
Pridemore in our right and as admin
of H. B. Pridemore deceased, Susan
Pridemore, Louisa H. Pridemore, Alice
Pridemore, Callie Pridemore and Hiram
Carroll Pridemore be made parties
hereto. That said A. L. Pridemore ans-
wer upon oath, but - its said Susan
need not do that being waived -

That guardian ad litem be ap-
pointed to answer & defend said in-
fants - And on a hearing a decree be
rendered in conformity with the ob-
ject of this bill - And for all other
further & general relief may suff-
ice.

Geo A. Bwing Jr

Rosa Pridemorester
3-262

v J
Bill Chy

A. L. Pridemorester

1894. Mar. T. Decree & Court,

1894 June T. Court

1894 Nov. T. Court

1895 Mar. T. Decree & Court

1895 June T. Court.

1895 Nov. T. Court

1896 June T. Decree & Court

1896 Nov. T. Court

1897 Mar. T. Decree final

To the Hon W. K. Morrison, Judge of
The Circuit Court of Scott County
Virginia

The Answer of Lorena H. Bridmore
Alice Bridmore, Callie Bridmore and Miriam
C. Bridmore, by their Guardian ad litem W. F.
Bailey, to the Bill of Complaint of Russa
Bridmore et als vs. A. L. Bridmore et als
pending in the Circuit Court of Scott County

These Defendants for answer to said Bill
or to such parts thereof as they are advised
it is material, say, that they are infants
of tender years, & do not know their rights
in the premises, but rely upon the
protection of the Court, ~~to secure their~~
wherein justice it is to guard the rights of
infants, But from the statements in
Complainant's Bill & the answers of the
adult defendants thereto, they believe that
it is the intent of all the parties in-
terested, that the prayer of the Bill
be allowed & now having fully an-
swered they pray &c

W. F. Bailey, Guardian
ad litem for said Infants

Fee \$250 Paid

Given to us upon Court this 24th
day March 1894 S. P. M. Counsel &c

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Rasa Padmon Ebas
is } Answer of
3 } Garden of Eden
A. S. Padmon Ebas

1894 Mar, 24 filed
S. P. McCarroll

To the Hon. H. S. K. Morrison Judge
of the Circuit Court of Scott,
County, Virginia:

The joint answer of
Louema H. Pridemore, Alice Pridemore
and Callie Pridemore, who are
infants over fourteen years of
age, to bill filed in this Hon
Court against them by Rosa
Pridemore & others.

Respondents say they are not
fully competent to understand
their legal rights. But from the
information they have; and so far
as they are Capable to Judge they
believe the sale of the timber, and
the partition of the land they believe
to be to the mutual interest of
themselves and Co-Heirs, and so far
as they are Capable they Consent thereto
And having now fully, answered
they pray to be dismissed &c &c

A. L. Pridemore p.d.

Virginia Scott County to wit -

This day Louema H. Pridemore, Alice Pridemore
and Callie Pridemore personally appeared be-
fore me & made oath that the foregoing answer
is true as they believe. Sworn to before me
N. R. Meade, Mayor, of Clinchport Va.

Lucretia H. Prichard etc

acts of Answer

Rosa Prichard etc

To the Hon A. S. K. Morrison
Judge of the Circuit Court of
Scott County -

The separate Answer of
A. L. Pridemore, to a bill filed
in this Hon Court against him &
others by Rosa Pridemore and others

Respondent states he prepared
the bill for the facts within
his own knowledge - And he verily
believes the object sought in the
bill is to the advantage of the
children, both adults and infants

If he did not so believe he
would resist it - For seemingly his
whole object is the good of all
these children on equal terms - He
desires in the language of his
departed brother to "do the very
best he can for his family" And
so far as he is able to see, the
bill accomplishes that object - The
bill states the facts & correctly de-
scribes the property and the interests
therein - And having now answered
he prays to be dismissed -

Sworn to. A. L. Pridemore
before me, N. R. Meade, Mayor, of Clinchport, Va.

A. L. Prentiss

ad J. S. S. S. S.

Rosa Prentiss et al

To the Hon. H. S. K. Morrison Judge
of the Circuit Court of Scott Co
Va.

The separate answer of Susan
Ondemore to a bill filed in this
Hon. Court against her and others
by Rosa Ondemore & others -

Respondent has heard and read
the plaintiffs bill, and the facts are
true - and respondent is in sym-
pathy with its object and believes
to be to the interest of the infant
her children that said timber be
first sold and the land then
partitioned - She desires her dower
laid off and then that the par-
tition be made. And having
now answered she prays to be
dismissed &c.

A. L. Ondemore
Virginia Scott Court, to wit
This day Susan Ondemore personally
appeared before me and made oath
that the foregoing answer is true to the
best of her knowledge & belief -

Given under my hand this 24th day of March
24th 1894 -

J. R. Meade Mayor,
of Clinchfield, Va.

Susan Pielmore

Ans. & Answer.

Lasa Pielmore

Rosa Pridemore

against

A.L. Pridemore

} In Chy.
}

This Cause
Came on this day to be
again heard upon the papers
formerly read and the reports
of A.L. Pridemore Court, to see
the timber filed June Term 1896
and Feb. 5th 1897 showing sale
of the timber and payment over
of the money to the adults and
and the loaning of the amounts
due, Alice, Callie and Carroll
Pridemore infants of the sum
of \$250.⁰⁰ and the security therefor
taken to which there are no
exceptions. Said report and
loan are confirmed and made
final and said Cause being
now fully settled the same may
be stricken from the docket. And
each of the parties to this Cause
will pay an equal amount
of the Costs. A.L. Pridemore &
Carroll Pridemore paying for
the Particular of the home ex-pen-
chase place, and the attorney for

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Rosa Pickens

23 Dec 1897

Received

A. L. Pickens

March 2, 1897

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Enter this

March 15, 1897

W. H. H. H.

the little Stock Creek place -
 But the dearer Susan Pickens
 more will not pay any
 cost the other, paying the cost
 of her dearer. And no further
 action being necessary the
 cause is stricken from the dock.

Rosa Pridemore et als
 Against
 A. L. Pridemore et als } In Chy.

This cause
 came on this day to be again
 heard upon the papers formerly
 read, and the report of A. J.
 Percy, Com. A. Horton and Joel H.
 Necessary, Commissioners, accom-
 panied by the plat required to be
 filed by them with their report,
~~which said report was filed Oct~~
 and the report of A. L. Pridemore this day filed showing
 15th, 1895. And was argued by Coun-
 sel. On consideration of which &
 for reasons appearing to the Court
 it is adjudged ordered and decreed
 that said report & plat be, and they
 are each confirmed and made final.
 It is further adjudged ordered and
 decreed that Susan Pridemore take
 and hold, as and for her dower the
 lots of land shown by said plat
 and report, as assigned her, by the
 metes and bounds thereof, for and
 during her natural life.

Sale of timber by her.

That Hiram Cassell Pridemore take &
hold, free from the claims of the others,
the lot assigned him, out of the home
place, set out in said report, ~~and~~
but not shown on said plat and
that A. L. Pridemore take and hold
the lot of said home place so as-
signed to him, as shown by said
~~plat~~ report but not shown upon
said plat. And that said A. L. Pridemore
pay the costs of partitioning the home
place he giving his consent thereto.
And that the said heirs at law of
the late H. D. Pridemore, and the
said A. L. Pridemore keep and hold
as joint tenants the lot known as the
sulphur spring, as shown by said
report, but not shown by said
plat; That ~~is~~ that the heirs of the said
H. D. Pridemore ²/₁₃ Rosa Pridemore, Addie
Johnson wife of C. C. Johnson, Maggie
A. Sproles wife of L. S. Sproles, Ella
Pridemore⁴, Lorenna⁵ H. Pridemore, Alice
Pridemore⁶, Callie Pridemore⁷ and Hiram
Carroll Pridemore, take & hold one

half in value thereof - and that A. H. Pridemore take & hold the other half thereof of said Sulphur Springs lot -

That Ella Pridemore take and hold lot no one, shown by said report and plat, free from the claims of all the others, by the metes and bounds shown by said report. with the right to use water from the spring on lot no 2 near where Wm. Swin lives -

This share in checker bath, lots shown except the following described piece which is assigned upon said Plat as lot no 1. ~~But~~ lot no 2, L. H. Pridemore is to have 15 acres on the west end of lot no 1 on the north side of this lot to be cut off in a line parallel with the closer line of this lot -

That Callie Pridemore take and hold lot no 2, by the metes and bounds of said report, as shown by said plat free from the claims of the others, which shall be subject to the easement, allowed lot no one for the use of water as shown by said report; and which includes two lots marked no 1.

That Louisa H. Pridemore take and hold free from the claims of the others

1/2 an's hold, 15 acres on the west end of lot no one, in
a line parallel with the line of the clover cut the west
end thereof, and also the clover lands subject to the clover-
right of the said Dora's Susan Priemore, that lies on the
north side of the main road between lots no 1 and no 2

lot no 3 as shown by said report
and plat: by the metes and bounds
thereof, and the right to use water on
lot no 2, near the house of Wm Swin
and where the pipes start leading to
Clinchport Hotel. And she shall so ~~take~~
That Addie Johnson, wife of C. C.
Johnson, take and hold free from
the claims of the others lot no 4
as shown by the metes and bounds
of said plat & report.

That Dora Priemore take and hold
free from the claims of the others
lot no 5, as shown by the metes and
bounds of said plat & report -

6 That Maggie Ann Sproles take and
hold lot no 6, free from the claims
of the others, as shown by said plat
and report.

7 That Alice Priemore take and hold
lot no 7 free from the claims of the
others, as shown by the metes and
bounds of said plat & report -

And it is further decreed that lots
no one two, and three, on the South Side
of the main road, may have a road
over & through the ^{upper end} ~~upper end~~ of the lower
these lots, to be used by ~~enter~~ to ~~open~~ said lots on the line of each lot
where it joins ~~Said~~ ~~road~~ to the main
road across its bottom by making a
lane or keeping in good repair a
gate at the main road.

And the costs of the partition of
the little Stock Creek farm shall
be born equally by the seven
Persons to which the same has been
assigned.

And the Clerk of this, will deliver this
decree when entered, to the Clerk of the
County Court, of this County, together with
the decree directing this partition, and
the plat & report in this cause, and
the Clerk of the said County Court will
record the same, in the book kept
by him for the recordation of deeds
& index them as such, & return said
papers to the Clerk of this Court to
be by him filed ^{away} ~~away~~ And it appears

by the report of A. L. Brice more that
he has sold the timber in the lease men-
tioned at the price of \$2000. 00 and has
collected 2/3 thereof, he will proceed
to collect the residue & pay the same
out to the parties entitled thereto. and
report his account to this Court at some
future term. and the cause is continued.

Virginia Scott County Court Clerk's Office

The foregoing Plat & report to-
gether with the decree of the
Circuit Court was received
and admitted to record.

Given under my hand this the
3rd day of July 1896

B. H. Johnson, Clerk

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2 } Decree Conf-
firming partition

A. L. Puelmer Ital

June 7 1896

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Enter this
June 21 1896
W. J. M.

Rosa Pridemore } In Chy
A. L. Pridemore & al

This cause came on this day again to be heard upon the papers formerly read, and was argued by Counsel. On consideration of which and for reasons appearing to the Court it is adjudged ordered and decreed, that partition be made of the lands in the bill mentioned as follows.

The tract known as the purchase tract shall be divided into two equal parts, one moiety of which shall be assigned the heirs of H. D. Pridemore deceased, upon the request of A. L. Pridemore, and which moiety shall include the dwelling house & barn, but they shall not be valued, but the land divided as if no such building were upon it. And this moiety shall be liable to the closer interest of Susan Pridemore, the other moiety they will be assign to A. L. Pridemore.

The little stock Creek place
will be equally divided be-
tween those entitled and sub-
ject to the widower's dower.
~~except the timber as herein after mentioned.~~
And A. J. Pearce, Wm A.
Horton, ^{Isaac Taylor,} and Joel N. Necessary
or any three of them, who
are hereby appointed com-
missioners for the purpose will
go upon the land, ^{with the Mill mentioned.} and first
lay out and assign to Susan
Priddleman as a for her dower
one third in rental value of
the land owned by H. D. Priddleman
at the time of his death; they
~~will~~ will then lay off
the said land into eight equal
parts, so, laid off, that the dower
will bear equally in ~~at~~ ^{each of} the
shares, and assign to each of
said heirs an equal part but
in making partition of the
Creek place, they will not
take into account at the present
the poplar ash & cucumber trees
there that are 8 inches or up in di-
ameter.

but such timber shall be held
in common by said heirs
until the future orders of this
Court. Said Commissioners
will make a plat & report
showing each allotment, ~~by~~ ^{by} meter
and boundary, and report their
action to this Court at its next
term and the cause is continued.

Rosa Prilemore
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23 Decree for
Partition

A.L. Prilemore

March 7. 1895

Copy sent to
G. Johnson Monday

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Enter this
March 23 1895
W. J. M.

Rosa Pridemore et al pffs
against
A. L. Pridemore adm et al deft } & chcy
On the motion of the pffs
D. H. Bailey is hereby appointed
guardian ad litem for Lorena
H. Pridemore, Alice Pridemore Callie
Pridemore and Hiram Carroll Pridemore
infant defendants, and on his
motion, leave is granted him to file
his answer; and leave is granted
Lorena H. Pridemore, Alice Pridemore
and Callie Pridemore who are over
fourteen years of age to file their
answers under oath - And like
leave is granted A. L. Pridemore &
Susan Pridemore to file their ans-
wers likewise under oath - And
thereupon this Cause came on this day
to be heard upon the Bill of the
pffs, the answer of D. H. Bailey
Guardian ad litem for Lorena H. Pridemore
Alice Pridemore Callie Pridemore and
Hiram Carroll Pridemore infants and
the answer of Lorena H. Pridemore
Alice Pridemore and Callie Pridemore
under oath being over fourteen years
of age, and the answer of A. L. Pridemore

and Susan Prieemore actually also under
oath and replications thereto - and was
argued by Counsel,
On Consideration whereof and for
reasons appearing to the Court, it
is adjudged ordered and decreed that
A. L. Prieemore who is hereby ap-
pointed for the purpose, sell the
poplar, Cucumber Ash and Lym
timber situated on the Stock Creek
farm either privately or publicly so
as to realize the best price possible
If he sells publicly he will do so
on the premises or at the town of
Clinchport, after timely notice thereof
by posting notice on the front door
of the Court House at Clinchport
But before proceeding to do so or to
execute this decree he will execute
bond before the Clerk of this Court
in a penalty of \$3000.00 Conditioned to
duly perform his duties hereunder
He ~~will~~ will report his actions till
some future term of this Court showing
the amount of said sale, and if he sells on
Credit he will take good bonds
payable to himself for the purchase money
with good security. Till the coming up of
said report the partition is delayed - and
the Cause is Continued -

Rosa Priemmer et al

vs
Decree for
Sale of Timber

A. L. Priemmer et al

March 7. 1894

Entire this
March 28 1894

H. J. KPM

To the Hon. W. T. Miller Judge of
the Circuit Court of Scott County
Virginia-

Your undersigned Commissioner begs leave to report that in the Case of Rosa Pridemore against him & others, he sold on May-1895, the poplar, Cucumber & ash timber on the Little Stock Creek farm, formerly belonging to H. D. Pridemore, to E. D. McDonald & Co at the price of \$2000.00 But the same was not paid down but was to be paid as each 100.000 was sawed and marketed, the sawing did not commence until late last fall, but has all been now completed, and $\frac{2}{3}$ of the money has been paid him, and he now has the same - He expects the residue, for which he has ample security, to be paid in a few days, when he will pay the same over to the adults - and the three infants as yet have no guardian and should one not qualify in time Your Court asks leave to loan the same

until a guardian for them be ap-
pointed - All of which is respectfully
submitted.

June 22^d 1896.

A. L. Puelenere
Comr of Sale

Rose Puelenere et al

vs Represent of
~~Certificates~~

A. L. Puelenere et al

June 7, 1896.

Report

To the Hon. W. J. Miller Judge of
the Circuit Court of Scott County
Virginia:

Your undersigned Commissioner begs leave to report in
the Case of Rosa Pridemore against
himself & others - That in obedience
to a former decree in this Cause
he sold to C. D. McDermott & Co, the
paper Ash & Cucumber on the
Little Stock Creek farm, belonging
to the heirs of H. D. Pridemore deceased.

He sold the same on about 8 months
time for the price of \$2000.00 retained
a lien on the lumber & took security
for the same. The money has been
paid your Court, and a release give
the security. There are 8 heirs and
so \$250.00 each. Your Court has settled
with the adults, Addie Johnson Ann
Spoley, Rosa Pridemore, Ella Pridemore
and Louema H. Pridemore. There are three
infants. Alice, Callie & Carroll Pridemore
your Court, loaned to James B. Lyon and
took a deed of trust on valuable re-
al estate to secure the same, one
thousand dollars, and endorsed on the
note that this money is due these three
children, which includes \$250, due
them from personal property sales.

They have no guardian, and he deemed
this the best he could do with it. There is
no further action necessary in this case

Respectfully submitted

A. L. Pridemore
Commissioner

Rosa Priemere
v. *Comrs Report*

A. L. Priemere et al

1897 Feby. 5th filed

S. P. M. Connell & Co

Please file in the
Case. Priemere

This deed made this February
4th 1898, by and between George
H. Ramsey and Jennie Ramsey of
Scott County Virginia of the
first part, and A. L. Pickens
of Lee County Va. of the second part:
Witnesseth, that the parties
of the first part for and in
consideration of the sum, of
one hundred and fifty three
dollars to them in hand paid,
the receipt of which is hereby
acknowledged, doth by these
present grant, bargain, sell
and convey unto the said A. L.
Pickens, a certain tract or
parcel of land situated in the
Purchase, Scott County Virginia
adjoining the other lands of the
said A. L. Pickens and James
Taylor's children's lands. Being
the lot assigned the said Jennie
Ramsey, in the home place, of her
grand father, the late James
Franklin, now deceased, on the
south side of the road leading
through said home farm, and
properly described by the plat
and report making partition
thereof, now on file in the Clerk's
office of Scott County Virginia
to which reference is here had

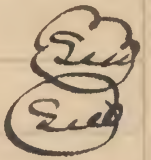
for the particular meter and bound
And is the same land now in
the possession of said Prilemore
and containing, about 15 acres,
be the same more or less.

To have and to hold said
land, and the appurtenances
thereunto belonging, to him the
said Prilemore and his heirs for-
ever.

And the parties of the
first part Covenant, with
the said A. L. Prilemore, that
said land is free from en-
cumbrances. And that they will
warrant the same generally
witness the following signature
and date this the day and year
first above written:

Geo. H. Ranney.

Jennie Ranney.




Virginia Scott County to wit
I John F. Moore a Justice of the Peace in and for
the aforesaid County in the State of
Virginia do Certify that George H. Ranney
and Jennie Ranney his wife, whose
names are signed to the within
writing, deed, bearing date on the
4th day of February 1898 have
acknowledged the same before me
in my County aforesaid

Given under my hand this 10th
day of February 1898.
John A. Moore L.P.

Virginia Scott County Court Clerk's Office:
This deed for land given Geo. H.
Raney wife to U. L. Oridemore.
bearing date on the 4th day of
July 1898, was received and to-
gether with the certificate hereon
admitted to record.

Given under my hand this
14th day of July 1898.
B. M. Minnick D.C.



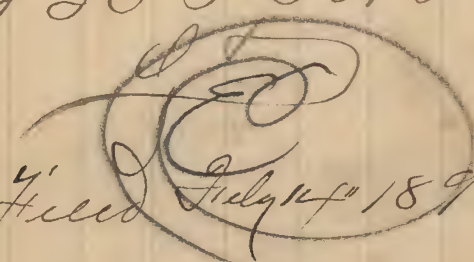
Pridmore A L

A. L. Pridmore

~~Am~~ Seed.

Geo. H. Ramey wife

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Filed July 14th 1898

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Paid in full

W. J. Johnson esq

11th

July.

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S. P. M. Cornwell &

A. L. Pridemore

29th

March

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Rasa Pridemore et al
A. L. Pridemore et al
timber

sell

S. P. M. Cornwell &

Rasa Pridemare et al
vs } Certificate of Barred
A. L. Pridemare et al

Know all Men by these Presents, That we, A. L. Pridemore & C. C. Johnson
J. B. Richmond

are held and firmly bound unto ^{the} Commonwealth of Virginia, in the sum of Three thousand
dollars, current money of Virginia, to which payment, well and truly to be made,
we bind ourselves, our heirs and personal representatives, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents, and we hereby
waive the benefit of our Homestead Exemption as to this obligation; and we further waive any claim or right to discharge
any liability to the Commonwealth arising under this bond, or by virtue of the office, post or trust, hereinafter named, with
coupons detached from the the bonds of this State.

Sealed with our seals, and dated this 11th day of February 1896

The Condition of the above Obligation is such, That if the above bound A. L. Pridemore

29th day of March 1894
Rosa Pridemore et al
A. L. Pridemore et al
see timber
A. L. Pridemore

shall faithfully discharge the duties of his office of
aforesaid according to law, then the above obligation to be void, else to remain in full force and virtue.

A. L. Pridemore [SEAL.]
[SEAL.]
[SEAL.]
[SEAL.]

Attest - S. P. Mc Cormick D. Clerk.

Rasa Pridemore et al

vs } Copy Comrs. Bond

A. L. Pridemore et al

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Recorded B. 3 P. 77

S. P. M. Council D. Clerk
